

LINEMAN FOREMAN

PURPOSE AND NATURE OF WORK

Position is responsible for supervising and participating in the work of a crew performing assignments in installation, maintenance, and repair of overhead and underground power lines and related components of the electrical transmission and distribution system. Position is also responsible for obtaining necessary materials, training and instructing a crew, inspecting work in progress, and ensuring that safe practices are followed on the job. Position is subject to 24-hour call and work is sometimes hazardous. The objective is the safe and efficient completion of assignments through the direct supervision of a crew. Incumbent receives assignments and general supervision from a technical superior and supervises a crew of linemen.

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK (Note: These examples are intended only to illustrate the various types of work performed by incumbents in this class. All of the duties performed by any one incumbent may not be listed, nor does any incumbent necessarily perform all of these duties.)

Plans and lays out jobs and assigns tasks to members of the crew. Supervises and participates in the work of a crew installing, maintaining, and repairing overhead and underground power lines and related components of the electrical transmission and distribution system. Trains linemen. Oversees the methods used by linemen to maintain safety procedures. Ensures the use of protective devices and equipment where indicated. Directs the installation of services and meters on customer's premises. Directs the setting of poles, anchors, and guys. May supervise some substation work such as installing switches and changing wires. Conducts tests on cables, lines, and other related components. Ensures that equipment is properly maintained and advises superior of equipment malfunctions. Maintains necessary records of work progress and completion.

Performs related work as required.

NECESSARY KNOWLEDGES, ABILITIES, AND SKILLS

Considerable knowledge of the municipal electrical transmission and distribution system.
Considerable knowledge of the standard methods, materials, tools, and equipment used in the installation, maintenance, and repair of an electrical transmission and distribution system.
Considerable knowledge of the hazards and necessary safety precautions required in lineman work.
Ability to supervise the work of subordinate crew members.
Ability to climb utility poles and work at varying heights, and to perform electrical work in tight spaces underground.
Ability to install, maintain, and repair electrical transmission and distribution lines and related components.
Ability to prepare standard work reports and maintain related records.
Ability to establish and maintain effective relationships with superiors and other employees.
Skill in the use and care of tools and equipment used in electrical transmission and distribution installation, maintenance, and repair operations.

DESIRABLE TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

Graduation from high school supplemented by formal training courses in industrial electricity and related equipment, and considerable experience in electrical transmission and distribution system construction and maintenance, including supervisory experience, or any equivalent combination of training and experience.

NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENT

Possession of the appropriate class driver's license, as required by the State of Louisiana.